(c) what other similar measures are contemplated to create bridges of understanding between the people of the two estranged neighbours?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) and (c) The interview of Gen. Musharraf was not telecast with the objective of any specific reciprocity. Govt. wish to build a relationship of peace, friendship and cooperation with Pakistan. During his visit to Lahore on February 20-21, 1999, Prime Minister conveyed to the Government and to the people of Pakistan, India's deep desire for peace and friendship with them to develop a comprehensive structure of cooperation for the benefit of the two people. However, Pakistan has continued with its aggressive approach and hostile policies towards India. Pakistan's sponsorship of cross border terrorism in the State of Jammu and Kashmir and elsewhere in India has also continued unabated.

(b) No such proposal is there.

Expansion of AIR and Doordarshan Network

†2515. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the up to date elaborate details of the scheme formulated for the expansion of Network of Doordarshan and AIR after assuming charge by him;

(b) whether the centre set up in the states are working smoothly;

(c) whether the network of Broadcasting media is adequate keeping in view the population of the States; and

(d) whether government have formulated comprehensive action-plan to bring all the districts in the country under Broadcasting network by the end of the century?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) The details of schemes approved for implementation during the period 14-10-99—31.3.2000 in AIR and Doordarshan are given in statement. (*see* below).

(b) Yes, Sir.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) Presently, 98.5% and 87% population of the country is getting Radio and TV coverage respectively. Further, expansion of Radio/TV coverage in the country is being carried out in a phased manner, depending on availability of resources, to cover remaining population of the country.

(d) All districts of the country (as per 1991 census) are wholly or partially covered by Radio/TV service, either by the transmitters installed within the district or in the neighbouring districts.

I. *All India Radio*

1. 20 kW MW Tr., Sangli
2. Local Radio station, Rourkela
3. 20 kW MW Tr., Leh (Revised scope)
4. Repl. of 100 kW MW Tr. by 300 kW MW Tr., Cuttack

II. *Doordarshan*

A. High Power transmitters (HPTs)

1. Delhi (digital)
2. Calcutta (digital)
3. Mumbai (digital)
4. Chennai (digital)

B. Low Power Transmitters (LPT)

1. Miralguda
2. Pulgaon
3. Jhalda

C. Very Low Power Transmitter (VLPT)

1. Karanja

Telecasting of various serials and advertisements

†2516. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

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